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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment in the above-captioned case. Please amend the case as listed below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 13 in the "Description of the Related Art" section with the following paragraph:

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The method disclosed in Kodosky et al allows a user to construct a diagram using a block diagram editor. The block diagram may include a plurality of interconnected icons such that the diagram created graphically displays a procedure or method for accomplishing a certain result, such as manipulating one or more input variables and/or producing one or more output variables. In response to the user constructing a diagram or graphical program